

Office of the Secretary, Interior

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tier covered transactions (see § 12.110(a)(1)(ii)) for the period of their exclusion.

(c) *Exceptions.* Debarment or suspension does not affect a person's eligibility for—

(1) Statutory entitlements or mandatory awards (but not subtier awards thereunder which are not themselves mandatory), including deposited funds insured by the Federal Government;

(2) Direct awards to foreign governments or public international organizations, or transactions with foreign governments or foreign governmental entities, public international organizations, foreign government owned (in whole or in part) or controlled entities, and entities consisting wholly or partially of foreign governments or foreign governmental entities;

(3) Benefits to an individual as a personal entitlement without regard to the individual's present responsibility (but benefits received in an individual's business capacity are not excepted);

(4) Federal employment;

(5) Transactions pursuant to national or agency-recognized emergencies or disasters;

(6) Incidental benefits derived from ordinary governmental operations; and

(7) Other transactions where the application of these regulations would be prohibited by law.

(8) Transactions entered into pursuant to Public Law 93-638, 88 Stat. 2203.

(9) Under natural resources management programs, permits, licenses, exchanges and other acquisitions of real property, rights-of-way, and easements.

(10) Mineral patent claims entered into pursuant to 30 U.S.C. 33 *et seq.*

(11) Water service contracts and repayment contracts entered into pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 485.

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§ 12.205 Ineligible persons.

Persons who are ineligible, as defined in § 12.105(i), are excluded in accordance with the applicable statutory, Executive order, or regulatory authority.

§ 12.210 Voluntary exclusion.

Persons who accept voluntary exclusions under § 12.315 are excluded in accordance with the terms of their settle-

ments. The Department of the Interior shall, and participants may, contact the original action agency to ascertain the extent of the exclusion.

§ 12.215 Exception provision.

The Department of the Interior may grant an exception permitting a debarred, suspended, or voluntarily excluded person, or a person proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, to participate in a particular covered transaction upon a written determination by the agency head or an authorized designee stating the reason(s) for deviating from the Presidential policy established by Executive Order 12549 and § 12.200. However, in accordance with the President's stated intention in the Executive Order, exceptions shall be granted only infrequently. Exceptions shall be reported in accordance with § 12.505(a).

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§ 12.220 Continuation of covered transactions.

(a) Notwithstanding the debarment, suspension, proposed debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, determination of ineligibility, or voluntary exclusion of any person by an agency, agencies and participants may continue covered transactions in existence at the time the person was debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded. A decision as to the type of termination action, if any, to be taken should be made only after thorough review to ensure the propriety of the proposed action.

(b) Agencies and participants shall not renew or extend covered transactions (other than no-cost time extensions) with any person who is debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, ineligible or voluntarily excluded, except as provided in § 12.215.

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§ 12.225 Failure to adhere to restrictions.

(a) Except as permitted under § 12.215 or § 12.220, a participant shall not